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and the audience was not slow in marking
their appreciation of the cleverly per-
formed feats. Miss Nellie Harmston Love
opened the programme by displaying her
equestrian abilities and was followed by
Miss Jennie Harmston Love in a very
pretty tambourine dance. Then came
some daring and graceful feats on horse-
back by Miss Marie which were deservedly
applauded. Almer, the midshipman
afloat, performed many thrilling acts in
mid-air from a pole and he was warmly
greeted on descending. The jumping
barrel act by Harry and Edith Francis
and Dummy was truly marvellous and is
really well worth seeing. The manoeuvres
by the Sheppard ponies, introduced by
Mr. A. Ryan were particularly good while
the graceful contortion act by Miss Flor-
ence, was one of the successes of the evening.
Middle introduced a heavy weight
lifting act and justly merited the sponta-
neous applause accorded to her. Middle
Able lifted a weight of 150 lbs. with com-
parative ease and this was eclipsed by her
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tertainment and their exhibition left nothing
to be desired. The applause which
greeted their final feat was tremendous.
Miss Jennie Harmston next introduced
an exceedingly pretty act and came in for a
due share of approbation. So splendidly
performed was the musical act by the Em-
anuels that an encore was demanded. Their
entertainment was certainly excellent in
every way. The clowns, Pimples
and Roberts, were responsible for a good deal
of merriment throughout the evening. The
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in its way. Encores were demanded, par-
ticularly for the rendering of "Hello, little
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The "Manchester Dispatch" solemnly records a story in that murky city as illustrating the difficulties besetting the paths of missionaries to the Chinese. There has been a movement to bring together the Chinese community in Manchester, teach them English and bring them under Christian influences. Well, the other day only one Chinaman turned up at the religious service. He was of course asked what was the matter with his friends, and he replied that there had been sickness in the Chinese community which was at once set down to evil spirits, and as last the Chinese had come to the conclusion that the anger of the spirits had been roused by their desertion of the faith of their ancestors for that of the barbarians.

Sir Robert Hart is still on the round of entertainments and seems to be engaged as the star performer at after dinner oratory for dates far into next year. His last appearance was on Saturday night, when he joined the Savage Club at dinner and received the plaudits of a mingled company of the law, the stage, art and literature.

He said he admired some of the institutions of China immensely. One, for instance, was the manner in which thanks were returned after a feast. The guest merely made a polite bow to his host, said "Thank you", and went away without any long speech about it.

Many of the dishes provided were very curious. A friend told him that in one part of China at the end of a feast the head of a rat was presented to each guest, in a beautiful little porcelain cup. That was the bonne bouche. Later the fashion of such entertainments had changed very much with the progress of civilisation.

Sir Robert has just been admitted as a member of the Paviors and other City Companies, and invitations are pouring in also from numerous provincial cities, beginning with the Manchester Chamber of Commerce for their forthcoming annual banquet.

Politically we are on the eve of busy times, unless all the signs are wrong. The Commons and the Lords are to cross their swords from now on. I am informed that the scheme is to run a democratic Budget next March—and the outlook for it is not so bad as it was a month ago—then bring in sundry measures tending to the rural and urban workers particularly, finally to introduce a comprehensive redistribution and franchise-extending bill, and appeal to the country on a platform of an elective Upper House, certain specified social reforms and the maintenance of Free Trade. If the Liberals maintain their office at the general election, to be fought in the spring of 1910, Mr. Asquith will join the reformed Upper House and Lloyd George will guide the proceedings in the House of Commons.

AN ELECTRIC PUNKAH.

Readers of Kipling's stories or of any other Anglo-Indian literature need no information regarding the nature and uses of the punkah, which plays so large a part in all narratives of the land of torrid days and breathless nights. The substitution of electric power for sleepy Hindu servants in its propulsion will probably conduce to greater comfort, though it may interfere with some of the romance. Says The Electrical Review and Western Electrician of New York: "The punkah is considered indispensable in the torrid climate, both as a means of securing a draft of air and in keeping insects from disturbing the sleeper. The native servant continually jerks the zope connected with a swing curtain which hangs from the ceiling. Frequently the native dozes, and the sleeper is then disturbed."

"An electrically driven punkah has been invented, and although this is not the first of its kind, it is said to give satisfaction because it substitutes for the peculiar jerk which is given by the native, and in which the previously devised mechanically driven punkahs were lacking, a similar mechanical movement. The satisfactory service which the hand-worked punkah gives is due to a turn of the fan that the native effects by jerking the zope at each turn. In order to obtain a flick of the curtain similar to that given to the hand-worked fans, the inventors of the new electrically driven punkah have devised an ingenious piece of mechanism."

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THURSDAY, January 21.—

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FRIDAY, January 22.—

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Chinese New Year. Goods per Malta undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, January 23.—

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WEDNESDAY, January 27.—

Non-Meeting of Hongkong Benevolent Society at City Hall.

THURSDAY, January 28.—

11.15 a.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Land Redemption Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1909.

TURKEY AND THE PEACE OF EUROPE.

By a happy coincidence the adjustment of the differences between Austria and Turkey has been followed by other items of news concerning the Ottoman Empire which must be regarded as most hopeful and decidedly reassuring.

There would, indeed, seem to be an awakening in Turkey which might appropriately be compared with the renaissance in Japan and with the new spirit which is making itself felt in China at this time. By far the most important information which warrants a belief that Turkey is on the threshold of a brighter era is contained in a message from Constantinople which states that the engagement of German and British officers to re-organise the Army and Navy respectively has been decided upon, and, further, that emphasis has also been given by the Government to the necessity of Turkey continuing along the path of constitutional reform, retaining the friendship of Europe, and especially

of Great Britain. Then comes the news that a number of Turkish officers, including a son of the Sultan, are to proceed to America in order to avail themselves of the benefits of a course of naval study there, while a further interesting point is contained in the fact that the Constantinople Chamber has passed, apparently with enthusiasm, a vote of confidence in the Government.

It was not a score of years ago that a well-known student of Asiatic conditions penned the following words:—"For more than a hundred years the spirit of our Western civilisation has knocked at the door of the Moslem world in Asia without being able to show any striking result." But at last the change has come, and if the Sultan and his Government are serious in their plans and are prepared to devote themselves wholeheartedly to needed reforms, then Turkey may yet have a future which will, at any rate, stand out in striking contrast to its more recent past. The decision to set to work with a view to re-organising and improving the Army and Navy is a highly necessary one if the Turks intend to escape being swallowed up by their near neighbours, for the inefficient and ill-disciplined forces charged with the protection and preservation of the Ottoman Empire have long been the subject of criticism almost amounting to ridicule. But it is not only in military matters that the hand of order needs to make its appearance. [The notoriously unsound financial condition of the country loudly cries out for reform, while much has to be done in the way of instructing the people, the bulk of whom are totally ignorant and neglected.

It must not be assumed, however, that this reform movement has suddenly sprung into being within the last few months, rather should recent events and declarations be regarded in the light of a rejuvenated desire on the part of the Turkish Government and people to continue, at a more satisfactory rate of progress, along a course mapped out several years ago. If it is true that since that time the advancement has not been so rapid as might have been hoped, yet, on the other hand, we must never lose sight of the fact that within the confines of the Turkish Empire are many disturbing and conflicting elements rarely found elsewhere, and that it is consequently hardly fair to expect the sudden transformation of Asiatic races into a consolidated Power on Western lines.

As Professor VAMBERT once observed, "Only dreamers, ignorant of the cruel testimony of practical life, could think that a free Constitution would fill up at once the gulf deepened by many centuries of religious animosity and widened by the hard rule of the conqueror over the conquered. No! such a thing would be even in Europe a sheer impossibility."

So we look forward with hope to the future, feeling that this latest pronouncement on the part of Turkey of a desire for peaceful relationships with her near neighbours, may, admitting it to be sincere, stay off still further, if it does nothing else, that awful possibility—long we hope to remain only a possibility—namely, a general European conflagration. Of course, Turkey, situated as she is, has everything to gain by a policy of friendship towards Europe, but at the same time there is that other soothing aspect of the situation to which we have referred.

The first annual meeting of the Philippine Dental Society will be held in Manila on the two days immediately following the Carnival, February 10 and 11, 1909. The dental profession in all the countries of the Far East is cordially invited to be present. The programme consists of essays and clinics relating to the dental profession. The meeting closes with a dinner on the evening of the 11th. The steamship lines from Hongkong offer a reduction of rates. For further information all interested should apply to Dr. Louis Offley, Chairman, Committee of Arrangements, 64 Escorial, Manila, P. I.

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THE SANITARY BOARD ELECTIONS. If present appearances go for anything there should be a big poll at the Sanitary Board Election to-morrow, and the Government would be well advised to extend the hours of polling. As now arranged the ballot boxes will open at 2 o'clock at the City Hall and close two hours later. If the time limit had been fixed at four hours it would have been far more reasonable and in accordance with the dictates of common sense.

The election addresses of the four candidates appear in our columns this evening and they speak for themselves. It seems to be generally expected that Mr. Shelton Hooper will head the poll, his past generous services on the Sanitary Board being greatly appreciated by the public. He certainly deserves the vote of every elector in the Colony and we hope, at any rate, that his majority will be a thrumming big one. It will be the only way the public can express to him their thanks for his unselfish vigilance in their behalf. The electors have however to choose his running mate from the two medical practitioners and the chartered accountant who offer themselves for their suffrages. They are all three good men and true and the voting will probably be very close. Mr. Bellis has local associations behind him, and is a man of independent views; Mr. Fitzwilliams is a man of sober common sense and possesses experience of public life, while Mr. Smith has much reputation as an accountant. May the best man win.

The terms for which Mr. Lau Chu Pak and Mr. Fung Wa Chun were appointed as members of the Sanitary Board expire in March, and they do not intend to again offer their services. The names of Mr. Tang, Mr. Chan Sui Kee and Mr. Ho Kom Tung are among those mentioned as likely nominees for the vacancies.

NEWS OF THE DAY. At the Y.M.C.A. Debating Society to-night an interesting debate will be held on compulsory military service.

H.M.S. King Alfred, Admiral Lambton's flagship, returned from its cruise to the South, on Monday evening.

The Government of Panama has appointed Mr. L. O. Herrera to succeed Mr. A. M. Moreno as consul in Hongkong.

By an interesting coincidence Chinese New Year begins on the anniversary of the accession of King Edward VII., Jan. 22nd.

The Finance Committee of the American Senate has favourably reported the bill increasing the salary of the President from \$50,000 to \$100,000 a year.

Judge Mulloy, of the Washington police court, holds that it is legal for a wife to search her husband's clothes while he sleeps, and further that a woman doesn't love her husband unless she goes through his pockets occasionally.

A theft with its amusing aspect has been reported to the police. Yesterday a native gained admission to the Military Barracks in Bowen Road and stole a pair of boots, but they happened to be two left ones, and the thief in his hurry left the other shoes of each pair untouched.

Five new vessels are to be completed for the Japanese Navy this year. They comprise the battleship Satsuna, the armoured cruiser Toku and Tons, and the destroyers Isokami and Ayanami. In addition to these, work on two submarine boats is expected to be finished.

A former pupil of Queen's College, Dr. Wong Chun Yik, who completed the Hongkong medical curriculum a year ago, is now studying for the degrees of M.B., Ch.B., at Edinburgh University. The university admitted him without preliminary examination and granted him a much shortened curriculum; and the General Medical Council of Great Britain allowed his registration as a medical student in Great Britain to be ante-dated so as to include his medical study in Hongkong.

While walking along Gutzlaff Street one evening a "boy" was suddenly stabbed in the abdomen by an assailant, who then bolted. He was taken to hospital in a serious condition, and from what he said, an amiah, with whom he had previously been associated was suspected of having prompted the attack, the suggestion being that she was jealous of another woman to whom the "boy" had transferred his affections. At the Magistracy to-day the amiah and a man with whom she lives were charged with conspiring to wound, and were remanded.

During the unloading of a junk at A King's slipway, Wanchai, yesterday, a free fight took place between a group of coolies and the men in charge of the boat. It seems that the disturbance arose in consequence of the boatmen being unable to get the junk as close to the shore as the coolies wished by reason of the low state of the tide. This annoyed the coolies who began throwing bricks and other missiles at the boat and then attacked the occupants, throwing a child overboard. The police appeared on the scene and succeeded in arresting seven of the coolies, who at the Magistracy this morning were each fined \$10 by Mr. J. R. Wood.

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BULGARIA'S OFFER TO TURKEY.

82,000,000 FRANCES. (Reuter's Service to the China Mail: Copyright protected under Ordinance 8 of 1904.)

LONDON, January 19. Bulgaria has offered Turkey eight-two million francs as compensation for the seizure of the railway in Eastern Rumelia.

The offer is criticised in political circles in Sofia in view of Bulgaria's unfavourable financial position.

THE EMPEROR OF CHINA.

It is rumoured in the North that the young Emperor of China is suffering from small-pox.

CLAIM FOR COSTS.

The case in which Miss Minnie Haydn was sued by Messrs Goldring, Barlow and Morrell for the recovery of \$250, being professional fees, came before Mr Justice Gompertz, at the Supreme Court, this afternoon.

Mr O. D. Thomson appeared for the plaintiffs and defendant appeared in person. His Lordship:—(To defendant)—Do you admit this claim?

Defendant:—Well it isn't alright. There was a judgment in the Allan case. He is not bankrupt; he has plenty of money. I had an agreement with Mr Morrell at the beginning of the case and he said he would take the case as he was sure to win but in any case he would wait until the case was finished. Defendant had asked what it would be likely to cost and Mr Morrell had said that the cost would be about \$100 and she gave him a deposit of \$25 and had a receipt for it.

Mr Thomson:—Of course I cannot say as to that. Mr Morrell is not here at present. His Lordship:—Is Mr Morrell out of the Colony?

Mr Thomson:—He is in Borneo. I understand that the statements made by the defendant are not correct.

Plaintiffs' clerk gave evidence of the professional work being done and the account rendered on December 4. The amount was for \$250. Defendant had not paid anything on account so far as witness was aware.

Questioned by His Lordship witness said that nothing had been received on account.

Mr Thomson:—Did you act in any other case for the defendant? There was another case.

That is not included in this bill? No. His Lordship:—Will Mr Morrell be back soon? Witness, about eight months. Defendant then gave evidence and said Mr Allan sued her and filed his petition in bankruptcy and judgment was given for the defendant. Before this case defendant had talked to Mr Morrell about it and she said she was in need of money and could not afford a large fee. Mr Morrell had said the fee would be about \$100 and he would require a deposit, in case that defendant lost the case. Witness asked him how much he wanted and he replied "\$25" for which she had the receipt. After this case was finished he had said he would collect the money from Mr Allan. She received a letter when she was ill and later had gone to the office twice but only saw a clerk.

Mr Thomson:—After the case was finished Mr Morrell wrote you a letter for the costs. Yes.

Let me see the letter? I have not got it with me. I think plaintiffs have acted for you in other proceedings? Mr Goldring has.

Have you paid them for that? Yes. Have you got the receipts? Yes, but not with me.

For \$25.1 No. His Lordship:—How did you pay this money, by cheque? No, I paid in cash. You sent it down by messenger? Yes. And got an official receipt? Yes. The case was adjourned until to-morrow.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Bishop Brent was a passenger by the Rubei en route to Shanghai for the Opium Conference.

Captain William P. Kimball has been appointed to succeed Rear-Admiral Emory, of the U.S.N., who recently retired.

Lord Lintilhgow, who is shortly leaving Scotland to visit India, China, and Japan, is not, as many papers have stated, going to travel for the good of his health. Lord Lintilhgow is, and has been, in perfect health. His sole object in travelling is to see the world.

FROM A NOVA SCOTIA PUBLISHER. M^r H. G. Harris, publisher of the Advertiser, Kentville, N.S., makes the following statement:—"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for myself and family and find it to be one of the best medicines for coughs and colds that I ever tried." For sale by all chemists and druggists.

ADVANTAGES OF EUROPEAN EXPANSION.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S OPTIMISTIC OUTLOOK. (From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, January 19. President Roosevelt, speaking at the Diamond Jubilee celebrations in connection with the Methodist African Missions, said the British occupation of India, the French of Algiers, the Dutch of Java, and the Russians of Turkestan were proofs of the advantages of European expansion. India was the most colossal example in history of successful administration, and was a greater feat than any since the days of the Roman Empire, being the noblest achievement of a white race for two centuries. He praised England's rule in Egypt and America's in the Philippines.

PARLIAMENT FOR PERSIA. FORCING THE SHAH'S HAND. (Reuter's Service to the China Mail: Copyright protected under Ordinance 8 of 1904.)

LONDON, January 19. Fresh Anglo-Russian steps have been instituted regarding Persia.

M. Izvolsky, the Russian Minister for Foreign Affairs, has presented a memorandum to Sir Arthur Nicholson, British Ambassador at St Petersburg, favouring steps being taken with a view to convincing the Shah of the absolute necessity of his convoking a Legislative Parliament. He considers a loan indispensable in view of the helplessness of the Government owing to the emptiness of the Treasury.

This will impose upon the Shah the obligation of accepting a political system presenting guarantees of stability.

RUSSIA'S LOAN.

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LONDON, January 18. The issue price of the Russian loan of January 15th is \$83. It is well received in London.

LONDON, January 19.

The English portion of the loan is covered four-fold, while five-fold of the continental portion is not yet issued.

THE PANAMA CANAL SCANDAL.

THE BURNS-JOHNSON FIGHT.

DETAILS OF THE CONTEST.

Burns Admits Being Fairly Beaten.

Australian newspapers to hand by this morning's mail contain lengthy accounts of the world's championship boxing competition between Jack Johnson, the coloured fighter, and Tommy Burns, the previous holder of the championship. The admission money amounted to over £26,000.

THE CONTEST.

The weights were given, Johnson, 13st 7lb, Burns, 12st 0lb, but Burns explains that his actual weight was 11st 12lb, whereas he had hoped to enter the ring at his usual fighting weight of 12st 6lb to 12st 8lb.

In the Squires fight Burns fought on the outside of the ring, but Burns explains that his actual weight was 11st 12lb, whereas he had hoped to enter the ring at his usual fighting weight of 12st 6lb to 12st 8lb.

Johnson was greatly the superior of Burns; in fact, it seemed possible that he could have beaten him in half the time had he so chosen. Instead of doing so he protracted the contest, apparently that he might enjoy the more the discomfort of his opponent. His superiority as a boxer was undeniable, and his height and strength served him in good stead. All the little tricky movements by which Burns succeeded in landing short stabbish body blows on Squires were circumvented on this occasion by force of muscle. When Burns' arm

arm locked his own in a clinch, so that he could not deliver a blow, Johnson simply shifted it to where he wanted it, and then struck. Summed up, the position was that, in out-fighting Burns could not reach Johnson, while every time he got into holds, received one or more solid punches before they broke free, and was himself powerless to display his ability in the line of boxing in which he had hitherto been regarded as pre-eminent.

Most of the fighting was done in clinches. As a display by Johnson, it was magnificent, but it was not according to the Marquis of Queensberry. The game is devoid of the greater part of the grace and movement which characterised it in this country a year or two back, and under the new conditions the battle is largely to the strong. This is not to say that Burns would have done any better had the rules been interpreted according to the old reading. In fact, the chances are that under such circumstances the fight would have been over much sooner. From the first round onward, Burns fought with a sprained ankle, but this seemed to affect him little, for even in the closing rounds his footwork was excellent, and his poise perfect even when the upper part of his frame was manifestly weak.

From beginning to end, Burns did not get what is known as a look-in. As he prevailed over Squires by a system of out-fighting the new tactics. Those who saw Burns for the first time on Saturday must have left the Stadium convinced that he knew not even the rudiments of pugilism at close quarters, while after the contest with Squires everybody looked upon him as the last word in the art.

For twelve rounds the fight continued, with Johnson ascending, and still ascending. His immense reach enabled him to touch Burns in vulnerable points where a smaller man would have been powerless. For instance, when in holds he was able to deal severe blows on Burns' head with his right hand shot from beneath Burns' left elbow, while if he was more to one side, he would swing heavy blows with his right hand over Burns' back. Burns got in a few short hits on the negro's body, but they lacked force, and, in the words of nearly everybody present, the whole contest was just what might have been expected had the contestants been a man and a schoolboy. Johnson simply toyed with Burns, and the latter was beaten at every point of the game.

Up to the twelfth round Burns, despite his terrible punishment, was remarkably fresh, and his foot work was delightful. But towards the end of the round Johnson roughed him into a corner, and delivered three swinging blows in succession. One caught Burns on the ribs, and the others on the face, and how he felt their effect was shown when he came to his corner at the round's end.

The fight really ended in the thirteenth round. Johnson opened it by scoring solid face and body blows, followed by half a dozen of his favourite slaps over the lower part of the face, when Burns clinched for safety. As they broke he swung a strong left on Burns' ear, which sent him staggering, and before Burns could shape again delivered a left on the abdomen and one of his clever right crosses on the jaw. Burns shook to the very like a reed in the wind. His knees trembled, and the next swing another solid left on his neck. There was a clinch, a break away, and as Burns seemed likely to fall from sheer weakness, the gong sounded and saved him.

As he went to his seat one side of his face was so swollen and distorted that many of the spectators imagined that his jaw had been broken. But the injuries were merely superficial. The worst injury that Burns received was his sprained ankle. But when he rose from his chair his face shone with rashes, with which his seconds had liberally plastered him.

right swing on the jaw sent down Burns for eight seconds. As they came together again, Johnson swung a heavy-sounding left on Burns' mouth, and the champion tottered again. Then law stepped into the ring in the person of the police officer. Burns held to his corner. Mr McIntosh awarded the fight to Johnson on points. A few people cheered. The rest maintained silence, but though their sympathy was with the beaten man there was not one in the vast concourse who could deny that Johnson is the finest fighter who has been seen within the memory of living Australians, if not living men.

CLEVERLY MAN'S DEMONSTRATION.

In the course of his sermon at the Forest-street (Bendigo) Methodist Church on the night after the fight the Rev. H. Worrall said: "On Saturday last, when that ghastly Stadium at Rushcutter Bay was made the scene of a carnival of savagery. Two human brutes fought with all the malice and viciousness of Bengal tigers. A crowd of 20,000 strong witnessed it; and there was spent sufficient money to build a national university, money enough to send forth 400 cultured and inspired missionaries and to maintain them a year in the empire of paganism."

"After all the boasting, bragging, and blustering, those 20,000 raving white Austrians beheld their white champion beaten by the despised black man. Racial hatred has been set on fire. There would be racial reprisals and reencounters. They have by this deed put back the clock of history. There was not one redeeming feature in the savagery and brutality. God grant that the defeat of Saturday may not be the sullen and solemn prophecy that Australia is to be outclassed and finally vanquished by these dark-skinned people who everywhere are beginning to realise their immense possibilities."

Continuing, Mr Worrall said it was sad and humiliating to contemplate the fact that the very Church of which this man Burns was a member, whose priests should have turned his thoughts to things sublime, had no condemnation for his impious and brutal profession. For both here and in England, the Church was eager to make merchandise of him.

BURNS' ADMIRATION.

In a statement made on the day after the fight Burns said: "I am satisfied with the decision given by the referee. It was fair beyond all doubt. I tried to win. Even up to the time when the police stopped the contest I thought I had a chance; but I fully realise that up to that stage I was fairly beaten. I do not wish to say a single word to depreciate Johnson's victory. He won, and I lost, and he deserves the credit. "I am done with the ring. I intend to reside in Australia, and become an Australian citizen. This will be my future home. I will live amongst friends for whom I have a warm affection, and I feel sure that I shall be welcome."

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE SANITARY BOARD ELECTION.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

Dear Sir—I find that by inadvertence my manifesto was addressed to the Ratepayers of Hongkong, and I desire to take this public opportunity of correcting the error. Under the new Public Health Amended Ordinance passed last year, the classes of persons who are mentioned in Mr Shalton Hooper's letter as being eligible to vote, can exercise the franchise whether they pay rates or not—I am Sir Yours faithfully,

GERARD H. L. FLETCHER, M.D., CH.B., & F.R.C.S.E. 31 Queen's Road, Hongkong.

ALLEGED ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE.

Four natives were placed in the dock at the Criminal Sessions, to-day, before the Chief Justice, Sir Francis Pigott, on a charge of robbery with violence.

The Hon. Mr. Rees Davies, K.C., Attorney General, appeared for the Crown, instructed by Mr. H. L. Dennis, Jr., from the office of the Crown Solicitor.

The jurors were sworn in as follows:—R. V. Rutter, foreman; B. M. Castro, A. R. F. Raven, J. F. d'Almeida e Castro, A. J. Brand, H. A. Schuller and C. R. Crispin. The Hon. Attorney General said that the crime of robbery with violence appeared to be very rare in the Colony. This one took place at 236 Queen's Road Central, which was an opium den, about midnight on December 31. Six men were said to have taken part in the affair but so far only four prisoners had been arrested in connection with the case. Witnesses would tell them how these men entered the opium den to smoke opium, about 10 o'clock in the evening, where they remained for some time smoking. After which they were asked to leave but declined to do so, saying that they had not finished their smoke. The men then got up and one of the folk thinking they had finished took away the lamp, when two of the prisoners proceeded to rush him about and eventually tied and gagged him. They then tied another folk in the same manner and proceeded to the bed on which the master of the den was lying, and then wrapped him in a quilt and threatened to take his life. The master remained in this predicament while the looting was going on. The two men appeared to have proceeded to the accountant's room and while showing the accountant some money they seized him by the throat and bound and gagged him in like manner, besides putting him through his hair and altogether rendering him powerless. The people on the first floor heard the noise and gave the alarm. When the police arrived some money from the till the men ran away pursued by a Chinese constable who was attracted by securing the first prisoner. The other three were subsequently arrested by the police to whom they all made statements. The second prisoner had given evidence at the Magistrate's where he had said that he had made the statement in consequence of some inducement held out to him by the police who had also assaulted him and asked him to come forward to give evidence against the other prisoners. How far that was correct they would hear from the evidence.

Evidence was then called. The first three prisoners were each sentenced to four years imprisonment with hard labour.

GROUP IS IMMINENT.

No matter how well your children may appear to be, you are never safe without a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house. It never fails to relieve, and is perfectly safe to give the little ones. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

RINDERPEST AND FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE.

At a meeting of the Sanitary Board this afternoon the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon reported that rinderpest was now at an end in shed No. 10 of the Dairy Farm premises, Sassoon's Villa, Pokfulam Road, and that foot and mouth disease was also at an end in sheds No. 11 and 12. The sheds had been cleansed and disinfected, and there were no deaths from foot and mouth disease; and of the 19 animals in No. 10 shed two died.

The Colonial Veterinary Surgeon further reported that rinderpest had appeared in No. 7 shed, where there were 14 cows, one bull, and one calf. He recommended that the shed be declared an infected area, and this was agreed to.

A SHARE IN A CHINESE FIRM.

Mr Justice Gompertz, at the Supreme Court, to-day, gave judgment for the defendant in the case in which Wong Shi, a single woman, brought an action against Leung In She, claiming \$1,000 for trespass and for the unlawful conversion by the defendant of plaintiff's share in the Wo Fung firm of Hongkong.

His Lordship said that the facts and the evidence were very complicated and on the balance of the evidence he would give judgment for the defendant. He was not satisfied that the case set up by the plaintiff had been established. It was a case of considerable doubt and he could not help sympathising with the plaintiff in the matter.

A CURIOUS SITUATION.

"I appear for the plaintiff," said Mr Otto Kong Sing, at the Supreme Court, this morning, before Mr Justice Gompertz, and my client instructed me yesterday that the case is settled."

Mr O. D. Thomson appeared for the defendant and denied that the case was settled. His client was ready to go on with the case.

Mr Otto Kong Sing:—Well, my client says the case is settled and he is satisfied. He has gone to Canton.

Mr Thomson:—My client never paid the money.

Mr Otto Kong Sing:—Someone did. Mr Thomson:—Then I ask for costs.

Mr Otto Kong Sing:—Perhaps your Lordship would put it in one of the lists so that I can see my client.

His Lordship assented to this.

TO THE ELECTORS OF HONGKONG.

GENTLEMEN:—The term of office for which you elected me as one of your representatives on the Sanitary Board in 1908 being about to expire, I beg to offer myself as candidate for re-election.

In seeking your suffrages on the previous occasion, I did so from a conviction that, if I were elected to the Board, I would, by a close investigation of the administration of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinances, be able to bring to light not only irregularities of a very serious nature but such a harsh and impolitic administration of the law as to render residence in this Colony for the Chinese, especially the middle class, a very onerous and oppressive one. I am now in medical practice in Hongkong and anticipate making this my home for many years to come. As a member of the general public and an interper, I am fully aware of the importance to my fellow citizens of the opportunity afforded to the unofficial members of the Sanitary Board. Questions of Public Health affect us all, and legislation on Public Health matters have often a more far-reaching effect than that anticipated by those more directly concerned in the framing of our laws. 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PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS FOR MARSEILLES & LONDON.

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c. THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

Steamers to	Leave	Connecting Steamers	Due at	Due at
Colombo	Hongkong	from Colombo to	Marseilles & London	London
			2 days earlier	1 day later
DELHI.....3000	Jan. 23	VICTORIA.....7000	Feb. 20	Feb. 27
DEVANHA.....3000	Feb. 6	MOOREA.....10000	Mar. 6	Mar. 13
BRITANNIA.....7000	Feb. 20	MOOREA.....10000	Mar. 20	Mar. 27
DELTA.....3000	Mar. 6	CHINA.....8000	Apr. 3	Apr. 10
MAEDONIA.....10500	Mar. 20	(through steamer)	Apr. 17	Apr. 24
DELHI.....3000	Apr. 3	MALWA.....11000	May 1	May 8
DEVANHA.....3000	Apr. 17	MONGOLIA.....10000	May 15	May 22

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said. Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at time of booking. In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following:-

INTERMEDIATE (NON-TRANSIT) STEAMERS WILL LEAVE FOR

LONDON.

CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

Steamers	Leave	Due at
	Hongkong	London
* SUNDAY.....3000	Jan. 23	Mar. 13
* NYANZA.....3000	Feb. 6	Mar. 27
* MALTA.....3000	Feb. 20	Apr. 10
* NORE.....3000	Mar. 6	Apr. 24
* FALAWAN.....3000	Mar. 20	May 8
* SUMATRA.....3000	Apr. 3	May 22
* PALMA.....3000	Apr. 17	June 5

These steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta & Marseilles.

* Carry 1st and 2nd Saloon Passengers.

For further particulars, Apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

THE EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN MAIL SERVICE.

TO AUSTRALIA. MAIL SCHEDULE. (SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION).

Steamers	Arrive Hongkong from Australia.	Leave Hongkong for Australia.
EASTERN	8th Feb.	3rd February.
ALDENHAM		4th March.

THE above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity. All State Rooms have Electric Fans. A duly qualified Doctor and Stewardess are carried. For further particulars, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, November 2, 1908.

HONGKONG-MANILA.



CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship	Tons	Captains	For	Sailing Dates
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila	THURSDAY, Jan. 21, at 5 p.m.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rogers	Manila	SATURDAY, Jan. 30, at Noon.

A special inducement to intending Visitors to the PHILIPPINE CARNIVAL, we are offering a reduced fare of \$80 for passage to Manila and return by our a.s. Zafiro sailing SATURDAY, the 30th January. Tickets issued at this reduced rate will be available for return by either the S.S. Zafiro leaving Manila on 7th February, or the a.s. Rubi leaving Manila on 13th February. For Freight or Passage, apply to

Shewan, Tomes & Co., General Managers.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LJJN

REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED OF OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIMAH	JAVA	First half of January	SHANGHAI	First half of January
TJILAWONG	JAPAN	First half of January	JAVA	First half of January
TJIKINT	JAVA	Second half of January	JAPAN	Second half of Jan.
TJILATSAP	JAVA	First half of February	SHANGHAI	Do.
TJIBODAS	JAVA	Do.	JAPAN	Do.
TJIPANAS	JAVA	Do.	SHANGHAI	Do.

THE Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LJJN.

Yong Building, 1st Floor, Hongkong, September 24, 1908.

Telephone No. 1876.

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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

S.S. 'MAEDONIA', 10,500 tons.

CAPTAIN C. D. BENNETT, R.N.R.

THIS THROUGH MAIL STEAMER FOR MARSEILLES AND LONDON, Via BOMBAY, WILL leave Hongkong on MARCH 20th, 1909, staying at Bombay 24 hours only and is due to arrive at:-

MARSEILLES... April 17th.

LONDON... April 24th.

FARES TO LONDON:-

1st Saloon... £71.10 Single, £106.14 Return.

2nd " £43.8 " £72.12 "

For further Particulars apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

THOS. COOK & SON.

TOURIST, STEAMSHIP & FORWARDING AGENTS, BANKERS, etc.

HEAD OFFICE:- LUDGATE CIRCUS, LONDON, E.C. TICKETS TO EUROPE by the principal STEAMSHIP LINES and TRANS-SIBERIAN RAILWAY. TOURS arranged to ALL PARTS of the World. BAGGAGE collected, forwarded and insured at lowest rates. LETTERS of CREDIT and CIRCULAR NOTES ISSUED and CASHED. FOREIGN MONIES exchanged. Head Office for the Far East: 16, DES VOEUX ROAD, Hongkong. Japan Office: 14, WATER STREET, Yokohama. Hongkong, April 8, 1908.

GREAT NORTHERN STEAMSHIP COMPANY

Operating the New Twin Screw Steamship

MINNESOTA -

28,000 TONS

BETWEEN YOKOHAMA, KOBE, NAGASAKI, SHANGHAI, HONG KONG AND SEATTLE, U. S. A.

Sailing Dates Subject to Change.

'MINNESOTA' Captain Chas. AUSTIN. THURSDAY, 6th May, at Noon, 1909. Omitting Shanghai.

Direct connections at Seattle with Great Northern and Northern Pacific Railways for all points in the United States and Canada; also with Atlantic Steamship Lines for all points in Great Britain and on the Continent. Direct connection at Hong Kong for Manila, Straits Settlements, Java, India, London and Paris. LUXURIOUS PASSENGER ACCOMMODATIONS:- Saloons and State-rooms (all outside rooms), Music room, Library, Smoking room, Nursery, Laundry, 1st-class cabins, etc. Trans-Pacific Cable passengers may travel by rail if desired between ports of Yokohama, Kobe and Nagasaki, without extra charge. For convenience of coastwise cabin passengers return tickets are interchangeable with regular mail lines between Japan, China and Hong Kong. For full information regarding freight or passage apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents.

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship JAPAN, Captain J. G. O'Brien, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, 20th inst., at 4 p.m., instead of as previously advertised. This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers, is installed throughout with Electric Light and carries a daily certified Doctor. For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, January 18, 1909.



THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship DELHI, Captain J. D. Anderson, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mail, will be despatched for the above ports on SATURDAY, the 30th January, 1909, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's Steamship Victoria, 7,000 tons, from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is second class departure from Hongkong, and for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, etc., will be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S. Arcadia, due in London on the 6th March, 1909. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required. For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, January 8, 1909.



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(Taking Cargo at through rates to the BRITISH, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE AND ADRIATIC PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship PERLA, Captain BARZOL, will be despatched as above on or about WEDNESDAY, the 20th January, 1909.

This Steamer has capital accommodation for passengers, Electric Light and carries a Doctor. For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SANDER, WIELER & CO., Agents.

Prince's Buildings, Hongkong, December 28, 1908.

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, ANTWERP AND HAMBURG.

THE Steamship OARNARVONSHIRE, will be despatched for the above ports about end of January, 1909.

For further particulars, apply to

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Hongkong, December 24, 1908.

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(In English and Chinese.)

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THE Steamer BRADLEY, will be despatched for the above ports on or about FRIDAY, the 12th February, 1909. For Freight, apply to ARNEOLD, KARRBERG & CO., Agents, Hongkong, January 15, 1909.

Notice to Consignees.

THE OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD. AND THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo ex THE OCEAN STEAMSHIP and THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANIES' steamers are hereby notified that on and after 1st JANUARY, 1909, all cargo ex these steamers will be landed into HOLT'S WHARF, KOWLOON, which will be open from that date to receive and store cargo.

For Storage Rates and other particulars apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

THE OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD. THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO., LTD. HOLT'S WHARF.

Hongkong, December 14, 1908.

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PAIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU, SHANGHAI AND JAPAN.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship KOREA.

The above named Vessel having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge of the vessel will be discharged as on, at Consignees risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 5 p.m. on THURSDAY, January 21st, 1909, will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All cargo undelivered MONDAY, 25th January, 1909, at 12 Noon, will be subject to rent.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined on board.

Cargo to be delivered on SATURDAY, 23rd January, 1909, at 10 a.m.

S. SILVERSTONE, Agent.

Hongkong, January 18, 1909.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMER POLYNESIAN.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London, Havre, etc., via Suez and Malacca, from HAYE ex a.s. Malapras, from BOMBAY ex a.s. President Leroy Talley, from Dunkerque ex a.s. Ville de Valenciennes, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 a.m. of the 18th inst., at which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the 21st inst. will be subject to rent.

All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 25th January, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

F. DE CHAMPEMORIN, Agent.

Hongkong, January 18, 1909.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER MALTA.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUZ, AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 a.m. of the 18th inst., at which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the 21st inst. will be subject to rent.

All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 25th January, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, January 15, 1909.

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FROM EUROPE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship SYLVANIA.

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SOUTH MANCHURIA RAILWAY

SHORTEST AND QUICKEST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA & EUROPE, via DAIREN (DALNY).

MAIN RAILWAY LINE - Semi-Weekly Express Service from Dairen to Changchun (Kwantung), in connection with Siberian Express trains at Harbin, by a train composed of excellently equipped Sleeping and Dining Cars expressly built for the Company by the Pullman Car Co.

BRANCH RAILWAY LINES: TROUS LINE - For Ryojun (Port Arthur), 8 hours from Dairen. YINGKOU LINE - For Yingkou (Newchwang), 5 hours from Tashichiao Junction. APURONG-HAISE LINE - A light railway from Mukden to Antung-Hsien connecting with the Korean Railway.

STEAMSHIP SERVICE - Regular Direct Weekly Service by the fast Passenger Steamer "Koss Maru" (3,377 tons) sailing from Dairen every Monday and from Shanghai every Friday, in connection with the South Manchurian Express and Trans-Siberian Route (International Train de Leste).

RAILWAY HOTELS - YAMATO HOTEL (Tel. Add.: "YAMATO"). DAIREN (Dalny), POST ARTHUR and CHANGCHUN (Kwantung), all managed by the Company and provided with every convenience, luxury, and comfort.

TICKET AGENTS in the FAR EAST & EUROPE: Messrs. THOS. COOK & SON, and the INTERNATIONAL SLEEPING CAR and EXPRESS TRAINS CO.

FUSHUN COAL. FUSHUN COLLIERIES - Fushun Steam Coal is supplied at Dairen, Yingkou, etc. Fresh stock always on hand. SOUTH MANCHURIA RAILWAY COMPANY, DAIREN. Tel. Add.: "MANCHURIA". Codes: A.B.C. 5th Ed., A.I., and LUKKES'S. Hongkong, January 1, 1909.

Notices to Consignees

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THE H.A.L. Steamship ANDALUSIA.

Captain BLOOM, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALUTTA.

THE Steamship Japan having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

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Vessels Advertised as Loading

DESTINATION.	VESSEL.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING.
Australia Ports	Eastern (e).	Shib Livingston & Co.	Feb. 5, at Noon.
Boston & New York	Massachusetts Castle (e)	Doddwell & Co. Limited	About Jan. 19.
Bay of V'spore, Penang	Yetorofa Maru (e)	Do.	January 25.
Coast of India	Choshun Maru (e)	Ocean Steamers	Jan. 26, at 8 a.m.
Cebu & Iloilo	Sunkiang (e)	Butterfield & Swire.	Jan. 21, at 4 p.m.
Europe, &c.	Prinz Ritel Friedrich	Melchers & Co.	Jan. 27, at Noon.
Ghana, Mar., & London	Singer (e)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	About Jan. 26.
Halphong	Barcelona (e)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Jan. 20, at 10 a.m.
Havre & Hamburg	Tijlwoom (e)	Hamburg-Amerika Linie	Jan. 20, at 10 a.m.
Java	Borneo (e)	Yama-China Japan Linj	Jan. 20, at 10 a.m.
Kudat and Sandakan	Carba Maru (e)	Melchers & Co.	Beginning of Feb.
London & Yokohama	Delia (e)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Jan. 23, Daylight.
London	Delia (e)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Jan. 25, at Noon.
Manille, London &c.	Bingo Maru (e)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Jan. 23, Daylight.
Manilla	Luoganzang (e)	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	Jan. 25, at 4 p.m.
Manilla	Fueusanag (e).	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	Jan. 29, at 4 p.m.
Manilla	Tamioag (e)	Butterfield & Swire.	Jan. 20, at 3 p.m.
Manilla	Delia (e)	Butterfield & Swire.	Jan. 26, at 3 p.m.
Manilla	Rubi (e)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Jan. 24, at 6 p.m.
Manilla	Zafra (e)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Jan. 30, at Noon.
Mar., London, & Liverpool	Sunda (e)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Jan. 27.
Melbourne, & Saigon.	Sydney (e).	Messageries Maritimes	Feb. 2, at 1 p.m.

Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael)	...\$57.90
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	\$11.05

Stow, Amoy & Tamsui	Daijin Maru (s)	Osaka Shosun Kaisha	Jan. 24, at 9 a.m.
Stow, Amoy & Tamsui	Joselin Maru (s)	Osaka Shosun Kaisha	Jan. 31, at 9 a.m.
Shanghai	Chonan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Jan. 27, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Choyang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	Jan. 21, at Noon
Shanghai	Davaiba (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	about Jan. 22
Shanghai	Tsimahi (s)	Yata-China-Japan Lin	First half Jan.

Shal, Moji, Kobe, Yms	Nore (a)	Goodman & Swain	Jan. 20, at 3 P.
Swatow	Haiman (a)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	about Jan. 30.
S' tow, Amoy & F'chow	Hatching (a)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Jan. 20, at Noon
S' pore, P'ang, C'bo, &c.	Persia (a)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Jan. 22, at Noon
Victoria, B.C., Seattle	Tango Marn (a)	Sander, Wielez & Co.	about Jan. 20.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Suaveria (a)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Jan. 19, at Noon
		Douglas & Co. Ltd.	Jan. 1.

Vancouver, (B.C.) &c.	Empress of China (s).....	Canadian P'fic R. Co	Feb. 13, at 7 a.m.
Vancouver, (B.C.) &c.	Monteagle (s).....	Canadian P'fic R. Co	Mar. 2, at Noon.
Vancouver, (B.C.) &c.	Empress of India (s)....	Canadian P'fic R. Co	Mar. 13, at 7 a.m.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	and up.	Amount Withdrawn.
CASH.				On hand.
				CASH.

National Bank of China, Limited ...	98,925	£	7	2	0	51
MARINE INSURANCE						
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd. ...	10,000	£	2	50		
China Traders Insurance Co., Ltd. ...	24,000	£	3	25		
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd. ...	10,000	£	1	5		

Yantaize Insurance Association Ltd.	12,000	100	80	\$177½ buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	100	50	\$108, sellers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	350	50	\$330

H Kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	1	50	all	\$92, sales
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited.	18,000	9	25	\$ 25	\$12, collars
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.....	10,000	\$	6 1/2	\$ 6 1/2	\$9, buyers
Shanghai Dock and Eng. Co. Ltd....	55,700	Tk.	100	Tk100	Tk. 75

STEAMBOATS, RUGS, ETC.

China and Manila S. S. Co., Ltd. ...	31,000	20	25	183, holders
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited. ...	20,000	50	all	183, buyers
H.R. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ltd.	60,000	15	15	189, buyers
Indo-China S. N. Company, Ltd.	60,000	5	all	137, holders
	10,000	10	10	117, buyers

Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	£	1	£	1	46
Toku Tuo and Lighter Co., Ltd.	8,600	7th.	60	Tls.	50	Tls. 45
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd.	200,000					Tls. 47
do. Preference.	100,000					Tls. 51
REDEMPTIONS.						
	50,000					51,501

Larson Sugar Company, Limited.....	7,000	\$ 100	all	118
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd. ...	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls 50	Tls. 95
THARVEE				
H.K. & Kow Wharf & Godown Co...	50,000	60	all	745
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co...	38,000	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 144

Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	\$	100	100	\$92, buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	75,000	Tls.	50	Tls. 50	Tls. 128
Kowloon Land and Building Com-	5,000	\$	50	\$ 50	\$39, sellers

Wei-hai-wei Land & Building Co....	3,974	1 1/2	25	174.25	17 1/2	8
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co....	150,000		10	all	20	sellers
West Point Building Co., Limited...	12,500		50	50	24 1/2	sellers
TRAMWAYS.						
	25,000		10	all		\$14
The Peak Tramways Co., Ltd.....	50,000		10	1		\$2

Société Française des Charbon-	15,000	Fcs. 450	all.	\$530, buyers
nages du Tonkin	200,000	£	1 18/10	\$81, sellers
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd....				
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	\$	50	all \$88, buyers
Astor House Hotel Co. Ltd. (S'hai)	30,000	\$	45	\$ 25 \$161

EXPENDABLES.			
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	50,000	\$	10 \$ 10 \$93
Watkins Limited	10,000	\$	10 \$ 10 12, buyers
LIGHTING.			
H.K. and China Gas Co., Limited ..	7,000	£	10 all \$200
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.	8,000	Tls.	50 Tls. 50 Tls. 121
	20,000		121

Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	100,000	\$	10	10	\$9.90
J.E.K. Milling Co. Ltd., in Liquidation	10,000	\$	100	100	Nominal
John's Asbestos Asbestos, in Liquidation	3,604	£	12/8	12/8	\$81, buyers
Limited					
United Salvation Financial Agency	100,000	£	10	4	\$121

Union Waterboat Co., Limited	50,000	10	10	\$10.
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	25,000	7 1/2	8	\$14. x New Issue
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	25	25 1/2	\$220. sellers
Robinson Piano Co., Limited	4,000	5	5 1/2	\$58. sellers
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	16,350	20	20	Ts. 437 1/2

Hong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	80,000	8	10	all	22, buyer
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	8	10	5	10 89, buyers
Two Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Limited	20,000	Ts	60	Ts	50 Ts. 80
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Limited	10,000	Ts	75	Ts. 75	Ts. 69 sellers

and Weaving Co., Ltd.	2,000	110	100	110,100	110,100 buyers
Ohio Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	2,000	110	500	110,500	110,500 buyers
Ohio Provident Loan Mortgage Co., Limited	200,000	10	10	100	100 buyers
Ohio Bureau Company, Ltd.	60,000	10	10	10	10 buyers
Ohio Bank, Mortgage & Tr. Co., Limited	1,000	10	10	10	10 buyers

Mr. Powell, Limited	12,000	7	7	\$4, collect
South China Morning Post.....	8,000	25	25	\$24
China Light and Power Company	60,000	10	10	\$6
China Light and Power Company	50,000	1	1	
Steam Laundry Company, Limited..	20,000	5	5	\$51, buyers

LOANS		Amount	# cars	Interest	Commission
Philippine Co. Limited	1000000	1000000	1000	1000	1000
Shanghai Co. Limited	1000000	1000000	1000	1000	1000

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